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SUMMARY: LENGTHY DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED "CHAPEAU" TO
NNA PAPER RESULTED IN PROVISIONAL REGISTRATIONS OF ALL PARA-
GRAPHS (TEXT BY SEPTEL). DOTS BRACKETED BEFORE FINAL PARA-
GRAPH IN DEFERENCE TO STILL OUTSTANDING ROMANIAN PROPOSAL FOR
PARAGRAPH ON "CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE" OF PREPARATORY SESSION.
DURING MORNING SESSION SOVIET REP (VORONTSOV) OBJECTED TO
TITLE FOR BOTH PREPARATORY AND MAIN MEETING, AS FORMULATED
BY YUGOSLAV SECRETARIAT, AND DEMANDED ALTERNATIVE WORDING,
WHICH HE THEN PRESENTED. END SUMMARY.

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1. DAY-LONG DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED "CHAPEAU" TO NNA
PAPER RESULTED IN FOLLOWING SIGNIFICANT CHANGES PRIOR TO
PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION:

(A) IN PARAGRAPH ONE, LINE 3, PHRASE "THE REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE 35 PARTICIPATING STATES" WAS DROPPED AT SUGGESTION
OF FRENCH REP.

(B) IN LAST 2 LINES OF PARAGRAPH 1, THE ENTIRE PHRASE
"IN 1977 AT THE LEVEL OF REPRESENTATIVES OF PARTICIPATING
STATES APPOINTED BY THE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS"
WAS BRACKETED AT REQUEST OF DANISH REP.

(C) BRACKETS WERE PLACED AROUND THE DOTS PRECEDING
THE FINAL PARAGRAPH AT REQUEST OF ROMANIAN REP TO ALLOW
FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF ADOPTING PROPOSED ROMANIAN PARA-
GRAPH CITING THE "CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE" OF THE
PREPARATORY MEETING.

(D) FINAL PARAGRAPH (THE THIRD) WAS EXPANDED AT
REQUEST OF UK DEL, WITH WORDING PRESENTED BY SWEDISH
REP ON BEHALF OF NINE NNA COUNTRIES. FOLLOWING PHRASE
WAS ADDED: "ON THE DATE, DURATION, AGENDA AND OTHER
MODALITIES OF THE BELGRADE MEETING 1977". THIS PHRASE
WAS PROVISIONALLY REGISTERED WITH THE OBSERVATION OF

ROMANIANREP THAT THE ORDER OF DATE, DURATION, ETC.,
AS PRESENTED IN THIS FORMULATION WOULD IN NO WAY
PREJUDICE THE ORDER IN WHICH THESE APPEAR IN THE
FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE PREPARATORY MEETING.

2. DURING MORNING SESSION SOVIET REP (VORONTSOV)
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ANNOUNCED THAT "FROM THE BEGINNING" HIS DELEGATION HAD
BEEN "UNHAPPY" WITH THE SECRETARIAT'S NAME FOR BOTH THE
PREPARATORY AND THE MAIN MEETINGS (OFFICIAL TITLE IS:
"MEETING WITHIN THE FOLLOW-UP TO THE CONFERENCE ON
SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE"), CLAIMING THAT IN
RUSSIAN THIS TITLE IS BOTH CUMBERSOME AND AMBIGUOUS, AND
THAT THE NAME IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE LETTER OR SPIRIT
OF THE FINAL ACT. VORONTSOV, MAINTAINING THAT
THE PREPARATORY MEETING SHOULD AGREE ON A "CLEAR FORMULA
ON TITLE" FOR THE FALL MEETING, PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING
TITLE: "MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATES
PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERNCE ON SECURITY AND
COOPERATION IN EUROPE; BELGRADE 1977." YUGOSLAV REP
DISPUTED VORONTSOV'S CRITICISM AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
CLAIMED THAT TITLE HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO ALL SIGNA-
TORIES PRIOR TO BELGRADE AND HAD BEEN ACCEPTED BY ALL.
COMMENT: SOVIET WORDING
FOR TITLE DELETES EXPLICIT
REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOW-UP. END COMMENT.

G M VORONTSOV ALSO INDIRECTLY WARNED THE EC-9 NATIONS
ABOUT THEIR "MANEUVERING" OVER REFERENCES TO "PARTICI-

PATING STATES" IN DISCUSSIONS OF THE "CHAPEAU."
DISCUSSION WENT ON IN SIMILAR VEIN DESPITE THIS
INTERVENTION.

4. TOMORROW'S PLENARY SESSION WILL BEGIN WITH
DISCUSSION BOTH OF SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR TITLE OF THE
MEETING AND ROMANIAN PROPOSAL FOR INCLUSION OF
"CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE"-TYPE WORDING.

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